Disinvestment of National Fertilizers Limited

*94. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Fertilizers Limited (NFL) is one of the profit generating PSUs and playing a crucial role in providing nutrients to the agricultural sector all over the country;

(b) if so, the details of the performance of the NFL;

(c) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry is slating to disinvest NFL despite the serious objection from the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The physical/financial performance of National Fertilizers Limited (NFL) during the last 5 years is as under:-

Particulars	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02
Production (MT):					
UREA	3197633	3144588	3136776	2935799	3190666
CAN	175683	221510	155417	107140	41564
Capacity Utilization (%)	113.9	111.1	110.0	93.6	99.5
Sales Turnover (Rs. crores)	2221.6	2289.53	2452.66	2808.74	2943.13
Net Profit after tax (Rs. crores)	189.01	41.15	34.89	27.31	40.61

(c) and (d) There is no objection from the Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers regarding disinvestments of National Fertilizers Limited.

Deteriorating situation in cities and villages

†*95. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that inspite of completion of integrated development schemes of cities and villages under Five Year Plans,

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